(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
4.	Jawaharpur Thermal Power Project (M/s. Jawaharpur Power India Pvt. Ltd.)	800	27-12-1995	The project is yet to receive TEC of CEA.

The first three projects mentioned above have been accorded techno-economic clearance of Central Electricity Authority (CEA). The Detailed Project Report submitted by the promoters of the Jawaharpur Thermal Power Project would be taken up for detailed scrutiny for techno-economic appraisal after the pending inputs/linkages are tied up by the promoters. All the above projects are yet to achieve financial closure. The penalties for delay in commissioning of the above projects are by way of liquidated damages after achievement of financial closure by the project promoters as per the provisions of the PPA.

Review of Power Reform Process in Orissa

4056. SHRI NOLOTPAL BASU :
SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE :

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the report titled "Power reforms in trouble" which appeared in Frontline dated 17th March, 2000 on reforms in Orissa Power Sector;

(b) whether the reform and restructuring programme is on the verge of collapse as reported;

(c) if not, point to point rebuttal of the facts presented in the report;

(d) whether Government are reviewing the whole reform process in Orissa before asking other States to follow the same; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA) : (a) to (e) Orissa is the first State to have initiated reforms process in 1996, through enactment of the reforms act, establishment of the State Electricity Regulatory Commission and unbundling/ corporatising the State Electricity Board. The State Electricity Board was unbundled into Grid Corporation of Orissa (GRIDCO) for transmission and distribution and Orissa Hydro Power Corporation (OHPC) for hydel generation.

The Orissa Power Generation Corporation Ltd. (OPGC) for thermal was already in existence. Under the second transfer scheme, four subsidiary companies for distribution were created under GRIDCO.

These four distribution companies have since been disinvested (51%) in favour of private companies in 1999. It is too early to assess the performance of these newly created distribution companies. However, there has been marked improved in reporting of T&D lossess in the post reform phase. There has been improvement in the Plant Load Factor of the OPGC. It is expected that the distribution companies will start making current payment for their power purchase by the end of the current year thereby achieving financial viability.

Construction of power generation projects

†4057. SHRI KAPIL SIBAL :
SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA :

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have made an estimate of the amount required for completion of construction of all the power generation projects under construction in December, 1999;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the sources through which this amount is received together with the amount likely to be received through each source?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA) : (a) to (c) the requisite information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Capacity of power generating projects

†4058. DR. D. MASTHAN :
SHRI KAPIL SIBAL :

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the capacity of the power generating projects set up in the various power sectors of the country is more than the requirement of power for those sectors;

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.